

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached replacement sheets include changes to the margins of objected to Figures 1a, 1c, 3, 4, 8, 9, 12, 14 and 16.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of August 21, 2007 and Office Action of November 30, 2006 have been reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested.

The drawings are objected to because Figures 1a, 1c, 3, 4, 8, 9, 12, 14 and 16 do not comply with the margin rules for drawings. Replacement drawing sheets are submitted to comply with the margin rules. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the drawing objection.

Claims 12-15, 18-30, 33-36, 39, 40 and 43-49 are pending in the application. Claims 23, 24 and 26 have been objected to in the Office Action. These claims have been amended to address the objections. Claims 12, 23, 25, 26 and 43-49 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicants have amended the claims to address the issues raised by the Examiner in the Office Action and to present the claims in a more preferred form. Specifically, the above amendments have been made after discussing both the § 112 rejections and above amendments with Examiner Colbert on March 28, 2007. Applicants' representatives appreciate the Examiner's suggestions during the discussion and have earnestly attempted to overcome the § 112 rejections by these amendments. In light of the above amendments, Applicant respectfully requests the rejections be withdrawn.

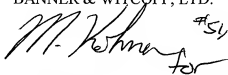
Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better form for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the below-listed number.

Applicants have submitted a three month extension of time with this amendment. Applicants believe no other fees are necessary for consideration of this Amendment. If, however, the Office determines that any fees are required, such as fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and/or 1.17, or if an additional extension of time is necessary that is not accounted for in the documents filed with this Amendment, the Commissioner is authorized to debit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for any necessary fees, including any necessary extension fees or other fees needed to maintain the pending status of this patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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